Public Law 89-25

JOINT RESOLUTION

To authorize the Commissioners of the District of Columbia to promulgate special regulations for the period of the American Legion National Convention of 1966, to be held in Washington, District of Columbia; to authorize the granting of certain permits to The American Legion 1966 Convention Corporation of the District of Columbia on the occasion of such convention, and for other purposes.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That for the period of the American Legion National Convention of 1966, to be held in the District of Columbia on August 29, 30, and 31, and September 1, 1966, the Commissioners are authorized and directed to make all reasonable regulations necessary to secure the preservation of public order and protection of life, health, and property; to make special regulations respecting the standing, movement, and operation of vehicles of whatever character or kind during said period; and to grant, under such conditions as they may impose, special licenses to peddlers and vendors for the privilege of selling goods, wares, and merchandise in such places in the District of Columbia, and to charge such fees for such privilege, as they deem proper.

SEC. 2. For the purposes of this Act—
(a) "Commissioners" means the Commissioners of the District of Columbia, or their designated agent or agents;
(b) "Corporation" means the American Legion 1966 Convention Corporation of the District of Columbia, or its designated agents;
(c) "Convention" means the American Legion National Convention of 1966, to be held in the District of Columbia on August 29, 30, and 31, and September 1, 1966;
(d) "Period" and "convention period" mean the ten-day period beginning August 25, 1966;
(e) "Secretary of Defense" means the Secretary of Defense, or his designated agents; and
(f) "Secretary of the Interior" means the Secretary of the Interior, or his designated agents.

SEC. 3. There are authorized to be appropriated such sums as may be necessary, payable in like manner as other appropriations for the expenses of the District of Columbia, to enable the Commissioners to advance to the corporation's guaranty fund $25,000, for the reimbursement of which the District shall have a prior claim on any moneys available to the corporation for repayment to guarantors, and to provide additional municipal services in said District during the convention period, including employment of personal services without regard to the civil service and classification laws; travel expenses of enforcement personnel, including sanitarians, from other jurisdictions; hire of means of transportation; meals for police, firemen, and other municipal employees; construction, rent, maintenance, and expenses incident to the operation of temporary public comfort stations, first-aid stations, and information booths; and other incidental expenses in the discretion of the Commissioners.

SEC. 4. The Secretary of the Interior, with the approval of such officer as may exercise jurisdiction over any of the Federal reservations or grounds in the District of Columbia, is authorized to grant to the corporation permits for the use of such reservations or grounds during the convention period, including a reasonable time prior and subsequent thereto; and the Commissioners are authorized to grant like permits for the use of public space under their jurisdiction. Each such
permit shall be subject to such restrictions, terms, and conditions as may be imposed by the grantor of such permit. With respect to public space, no reviewing stand or any stand or structure for the sale of goods, wares, merchandise, food, or drink shall be built during the convention period on any sidewalk, street, park, reservation, or other public grounds in the District of Columbia, except with the approval of the corporation, and with the approval of the Secretary of the Interior or the Commissioners, as the case may be, depending on the location of such stand or structure. The reservation, ground, or public space occupied by any such stand or structure shall, within ten days after the end of the convention period, be restored to its previous condition. The corporation shall indemnify and save harmless the District of Columbia, the United States, and the appropriate agencies of the United States against any loss or damage to such property and against any liability arising from the use of such property, either by the corporation or a licensee of the corporation.

SEC. 5. The Commissioners are authorized to permit the corporation to install suitable overhead conductors and install suitable lighting or other electrical facilities, with adequate supports, for illumination or other purposes. If it should be necessary to place wires for illuminating or other purposes over any park, reservation, or highway in the District of Columbia, such placing of wires and their removal shall be under the supervision of the official in charge of said park, reservation, or highway. Such conductors, with their supports, shall be removed within five days after the end of the convention period. The Commissioners, or such other officials as may have jurisdiction in the premises, shall enforce the provisions of this joint resolution, take needful precautions for the protection of the public, and insure that the pavement of any street, sidewalk, avenue, or alley which is disturbed or damaged is restored to its previous condition. No expense or damage from the installation, operation, or removal of said temporary overhead conductors or said illumination or other electrical facilities shall be incurred by the United States or the District of Columbia, and the corporation shall indemnify and save harmless the District of Columbia, the United States and the appropriate agencies of the United States against any loss or damage and against any liability whatsoever arising from any act of the corporation or any agent, licensee, servant, or employee of the corporation.

SEC. 6. The Secretary of Defense is authorized to lend to the corporation such hospital tents, smaller tents, camp appliances, hospital furniture, ensigns, flags, ambulances, drivers, stretchers, and Red Cross flags and poles (except battle flags) as may be spared without detriment to the public service, and under such conditions as he may prescribe. Such loan shall be returned within five days after the end of the convention period, the corporation shall indemnify the United States for any loss or damage to any such property, and no expense shall be incurred by the United States Government for the delivery, return, rehabilitation, replacement, or operation of such equipment. The corporation shall give a good and sufficient bond for the safe return of such property in good order and condition, and the whole without expense to the United States.

SEC. 7. The Commissioners, the Secretary of the Interior, and the corporation are authorized to permit electric lighting, telegraph, telephone, radio broadcasting, and television companies to extend overhead wires to such points along and across the line of any parade as shall be deemed convenient for use in connection with such parade and other convention purposes. Such wires shall be removed within ten days after the end of the convention period.
SEC. 8. The regulations and licenses authorized by this Act shall be in full force and effect only during the convention period, but the expiration of said period shall not prevent the arrest or trial of any person for any violation of such regulations committed during the time they were in force and effect. Such regulations shall be published in one or more of the daily newspapers published in the District of Columbia and no penalty prescribed for the violation of any such regulation shall be enforced until five days after such publication. Any person violating any regulation promulgated by the Commissioners under the authority of this Act shall be fined not more than $100 or imprisoned for not more than thirty days. Each and every day a violation of any such regulation exists shall constitute a separate offense, and the penalty prescribed shall be applicable to each such separate offense.

SEC. 9. Whenever any provision of this Act requires the corporation to indemnify and save harmless the District of Columbia and the Federal Government or any agency thereof against loss, damage, or liability arising out of the acts of the corporation or its licensee, or to give bond to an agency of the Federal Government guaranteeing the safe return of property belonging to such agency, the requirements of any such provision shall be deemed satisfied upon the submission by the corporation to the Commissioners and the Secretary of the Interior on behalf of the several agencies of the Federal Government, of an insurance policy or bond, or both an insurance policy and bond, in such amount or amounts and subject to such terms and conditions, as the said officials in their discretion approve as being necessary to protect the interests of the respective governments.

SEC. 10. Nothing in this Act shall be applicable to the United States Capitol Buildings or Grounds or other properties under the jurisdiction of the Congress or any committee, commission, or officer thereof.

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Public Law 89-26

AN ACT

To amend title 37, United States Code, to authorize payment of special allowances to dependents of members of the uniformed services to offset expenses incident to their evacuation, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That title 37, United States Code, is amended as follows:

(1) The following new section is inserted after section 405:

"§ 405a. Travel and transportation allowances: evacuation allowances

"(a) Under regulations prescribed by the Secretaries concerned, when dependents of members of the uniformed services are ordered evacuated by competent authority from places outside the United States to places inside the United States, they may be authorized such allowances as the Secretary concerned determines necessary to offset the expenses incident to the evacuation. Allowances authorized by this section are in addition to those authorized by any other section of this title. For the purposes of this section, a dependent 'ordered evacuated by competent authority' includes—

"(1) a dependent who is present at or in the vicinity of the member's duty station when the evacuation of dependents is ordered by competent authority and who actually moves to an authorized safe haven designated by that authority, whether such